supply of power from West Bengal in August this year;

(b) if so, how much power was supplied by that State to other parts of the country; and

(c) what are the details of the distribution made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) to (c) The power system of West Bengal is a constituent system of the Eastern Region and operates in parallel with the other constituents of the Region. Whenever there is a surplus of power in any of the power systems, the same is transferred to the neighbouring deficit systems for optimum utilisation of available power.

During August, 1987, a total of 38.6 MU was supplied by West Bengal system to OVC and Orissa as per details below:—

From West Bengal to	August, 1987 (Figs. in MU)
DVC	26.6
Orissa	12.0
TOTAL :	38.6

Power Generating Plants in West Bengal

160. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) how many power generating plants of the Central Electricity Authority are in operation in West Bengal, placewise;

(b) what is the capacity of those plants, plantwise; and

(c) how much money has been invested by the CEA, in those plants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No power generating plant is operated by the Central Electricity Authority.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

Import of Essential Drugs

161. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE:

SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the multi-national drug manufacturers have consistently found a way out of complying with the drug price control order by concentrating on non-essential but highly profit earning drugs forcing Government to import essential drugs by using up precious foreign exchange; and

(b) if so, whether Government have any plans to initiate action against such manufacturers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Setting up Gas based Fertilizer Plant

162. SHRI NARAYAN KAR:

SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to set up a gas based fertilizer